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OFFERED BY MS. CLARK OF MASSACHUSETTS

Add at the end of the bill the following:

1 SEC. 6. GAO STUDY AND REPORT ON PROGRAMS AND RE-
2 SEARCH RELATIVE TO SUBSTANCE USE AND
3 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AMONG ADO-
4 LESCENTS AND YOUNG ADULTS.

5 (a) STUDY.—The Comptroller General of the United
6 States shall conduct a study on how Federal agencies are
7 addressing prevention of, treatment for, and recovery from
8 substance use by and substance use disorders among ado-
9 lescents and young adults. Such study shall include an
10 analysis of each of the following:

11 (1) The research that has been, and is being,
12 conducted or supported by the Federal Government
13 on prevention of, treatment for, and recovery from
14 substance use by and substance use disorders among
15 adolescents and young adults, including an assess-
16 ment of—

17 (A) such research relative to any unique
18 circumstances (including social and biological
19 circumstances) of adolescents and young adults

1 that may make adolescent-specific and young
2 adult-specific treatment protocols necessary, in-
3 cluding any effects that substance use and sub-
4 stance use disorders may have on brain develop-
5 ment and the implications for treatment and re-
6 covery; and

7 (B) areas of such research in which great-
8 er investment or focus is necessary relative to
9 other areas of such research.

10 (2) The Federal non-research programs and ac-
11 tivities that address prevention of, treatment for,
12 and recovery from substance use by and substance
13 use disorders among adolescents and young adults,
14 including an assessment of the effectiveness of such
15 programs and activities in preventing substance use
16 by and substance use disorders among adolescents
17 and young adults, treating such adolescents and
18 young adults in a way that accounts for any unique
19 circumstances faced by adolescents and young
20 adults, and supports long term recovery among ado-
21 lescents and young adults.

22 (3) Gaps that have been identified by Federal
23 officials and experts in Federal efforts relating to
24 prevention of, treatment for, and recovery from sub-
25 stance use by and substance use disorders among

1 adolescents and young adults, including gaps in re-
2 search, data collection, and measures to evaluate the
3 effectiveness of Federal efforts, and the reasons for
4 such gaps.

5 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
6 of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall
7 submit to the appropriate committees of the Congress a
8 report containing the results of the study conducted under
9 subsection (a), including—

- 10 (1) a summary of the findings of the study; and
11 (2) recommendations based on the results of
12 the study, including recommendations for such areas
13 of research and legislative and administrative action
14 as the Comptroller General determines appropriate.

